

SENATE No. 1084

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Patricia D. Jehlen

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act to Expedite Insurance Coverage for New Employees of the Commonwealth .

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Patricia D. Jehlen	Second Middlesex
Martha M. Walz	8th Suffolk
Kathi-Anne Reinstein	16th Suffolk

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT TO EXPEDITE INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR NEW EMPLOYEES OF THE COMMONWEALTH .

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority
of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 32A of the General is hereby amended by adding the following
2 section:-

3 Section 24. Notwithstanding any other general or special law or rule or regulation to
4 the contrary, new employees who are eligible for coverage and employees newly-eligible for
5 coverage shall, upon enrollment in a health insurance plan offered by the commission, be
6 immediately eligible for the benefits of such coverage. The commission shall not make any rules
7 or regulations or otherwise require a waiting period for benefits coverage.